



# Church Family Notices

**Date: Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025**

**Morning Worship with Kiks 10am**

**Reading: Luke 6:27-38**

Worship in Dunscore Church is for everyone regardless of age, nationality, status, or ability. You will be made most welcome at our services. If you can't make it to our Sunday services, you can join online at this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86939887756>

## **A Message from our Minister:**

Jesus liked to challenge people who thought they were OK! Often His teaching is aimed at His Disciples (who chose to walk with Him), the Pharisees (religious leaders of their day), and those who felt comfortable (the rich, influential, powerful). Today we think about three very real challenges – “love your enemies”!; “do unto others as you would have them do unto you.”!; “be merciful as your Father in heaven is merciful”! In the words of the old sketch show ... “I’ll get my coat!” We all spot hypocrisy a mile off, but do we sense it in ourselves? God sets the standard for Love, Mercy, Grace, and we can only aspire to it. In our own strength we cannot meet those standards of consistency and quickly fall into hypocrisy. As a Minister, I am often accused of hypocrisy. “Practice what you preach”! Just to be clear, I am not an expert in theology, spirituality, or holiness. I am an expert in trusting God and trying to follow Jesus’ Way in my life and in needing the Holy Spirit working within me. Simply put, God doesn’t wait for us to be perfect before showering His Love on us and He calls us to approach others the same way – Love first! So take your coat off and join us, the imperfect, on the journey of faith.

God Bless,  
Mark

## **PRAYER**

Praise to You, Lord, in whom I trust.

I give You thanks, Lord,  
You put trust into my hands.

Praise to You, Lord,  
You bless me with joy and happiness.

I give You thanks, Lord,  
that I can share it with others.

Praise to You, Lord, for being patient with me.

I give You thanks, Lord,  
that I am being taught patience with others.

For all Your blessings to me,  
seen and unseen, known and unknown,  
I give You thanks and praise.

**PRAYER THEME** – Thank God for His trust, blessing, and patience ask His help to share them.

### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>:**

7.30pm – Connect Bible Study at Dunscore Church

### **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March:**

10am-1pm – Repair Café in Glencairn Memorial Institute

11am-2pm – Fairtrade Big Brew in Dunscore

### **Next Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March:**

10am – Morning Worship in Dunscore Church

11.30am – Holy Communion in St Ninian's, Moniaive

**Eco Snippet:** This month's Eco Snippets are all about "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle". This week I want to plug our Eco Congregation Freecycle list. This has been going for more than a decade (quite a lot more!) and has seen scores of things given a new life instead of heading for the tip. If you haven't, why not join the Freecycle and events email list at this link: <http://eepurl.com/dsOCUn> and, while you are about it, why not join the church email list at this link: <http://eepurl.com/ds0gzj> and receive Church Notices and other church information to your inbox.

## Plant Sale

The Plant Sale this year will take place on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May** at the Glenriddel Hall. There will be the usual stalls of plants, books, bric a brac with teas etc. All donations will be gratefully received. Contact Mary Waugh 820301. If you want to help or donate.

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